

REMARKS

The drawings were objected to. The title was objected to. Claims 8 and 10 to 16 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112. Claims 1 to 7 and 9 were rejected under 35 U.S.C 102 or 103 as being unpatentable over the prior art.

Claims 1, 4, 8, 10, 11, 14, 15 and 16 have been amended. Withdrawn claims 17 to 20 have been canceled without prejudice. New claims 21 to 24 have been added, and support therefore is found in the specification.

Reconsideration of the application in view of the following is respectfully requested.

Drawings

New formal drawings have been submitted and their approval is respectfully requested, as is withdrawal of the objection.

Specification

The title has been amended as suggested by the examiner and withdrawal of the objection is respectfully requested.

35 U.S.C. 112 Rejection

Claims 8, 10, 14, 15 and 16 have been amended to clarify the numbering and other issues identified by the Examiner. Other claims have been amended to provide consistency. It is respectfully submitted that all claims are now clear and definite and withdrawal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 112 is respectfully requested. It is noted that the terms first material, second material, etc. are used for separate identification only and the first and second materials may be made of a same physical composition.

35 U.S.C. 102 and 103 Rejections

Claims 1 to 7 and 9 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102 and/or 103 in view of

various prior art references.

None of the prior art references teach or show the feature of original claim 8 of “wrapping a second strip of a second material about projecting ends of the plurality of first tabs so as to form a cylindrical outer wall.” This limitation has now been added to claim 1, and withdrawal of the rejection to claim 1 and its dependent claims is respectfully requested.

In addition, it is noted that it would not have been obvious to add this limitation to Jarvis, Rodeck or Lloyd, as they disclose heat exchange devices that desire air flow which would be reduced by the cylindrical outer wall and thus would provide reduced heat transfer ability.

Withdrawal of the 35 U.S.C. 102 and 103 rejections is respectfully requested.

New Claims

New claims 21 and 23 cover the two possibilities for the second strip or outer surface discussed in the specification: that the second strip contacts the web directly, or the second strip contacts the tabs directly.

CONCLUSION

The present application is believed to be in condition for allowance and applicants respectfully request such action. No fee is believed required. If any fee is required at this time, the Assistant Commissioner is authorized to charge payment of the same to Deposit Account No. 50-0552.

Respectfully Submitted,

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